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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY SEOUL IMMEDIATE

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LIMDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, KS, US

SUBJECT: RETURN OF M60-A-1 TANKS FROM KOREA

1. DOD HAS INFORMED US THAT U.S. ARMY WISHES TO RETURN  
47 OF 59 M60-A-1 TANKS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO BE  
RETROGRADED IN EARLY 1976 AND NOW HELD IN STORAGE IN  
KOREA. TWELVE WOULD REMAIN IN ROK AS WAR RESERVE.
2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT GENERAL RACHMELER, ARMY COORDINATOR  
FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE, DISCUSSED RETROGRADE OF TANKS  
WITH AMBASSADOR IN NOVEMBER.
3. WE BELIEVE TANKS SHOULD BE RETURNED, BUT WOULD  
APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS BEFORE CONCURRING IN PROPOSED  
RETROGRADE.

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